



## **NORTHERN GIANT HORNET STAKEHOLDER UPDATE #23.04 – June 30, 2023**

### **IT'S TIME FOR PUBLIC TRAPPING**

Public trapping is right around the corner in July. Do you have the materials needed to build and service your traps?

Trapping is a great way to get outside, become a scientist, and help protect the environment. There is no age limit for this activity, it's great activity for kids with adult supervision, adults, and elders alike.

Just remember to [log your traps online](#).

To learn more about trapping you can [visit our website here](#).

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### **YOU CAN STILL JOIN OUR WATCH A WASP NEST PROGRAM**

It's not too late to monitor for hornets through our new Watch a Wasp Nest Program. If you have a paper wasp nest, you can log its location and watch it weekly to help us monitor for northern giant hornets.

You can log the paper wasp nest locations online [here](#).

## PREPARING FOR TRAPPING

### WSDA TRAPPING

WSDA trappers have begun training for the 2023 season. Next, they will be hanging and checking traps throughout the northwest corner of Whatcom County.



### COOPERATOR TRAPPING

Most cooperators have their supplies and are preparing their traps for the season.



## NEW DETECTIONS

There have been no new detections for 2023. You can view all current and years past detection on our [Northern Giant Hornet Public Dashboard here](#).

## EVENTS

Hornet education is ongoing! Lately the hornets have been at school assemblies, park trainings, and a farmers market. Stay tuned for upcoming events.



## REPORT SIGHTINGS

If you suspect you see a northern giant hornet, please report it. Please include:

- Your name and contact information
- Location and date of the sighting
- Photograph of the insect (we generally cannot confirm a report without a photo or specimen)

If you cannot take a photo, include a description of the of the insect, what it was doing, and note the direction it left when flying away.

You can report sightings by [visiting our Hornet Watch Report Form](#).



## STAY CONNECTED

WSDA is dedicated to working with the public to provide information about northern giant hornets.

- View [past news releases, blogs, and Pest Program updates](#) about northern giant hornet.
- Join the [northern giant hornet Facebook group](#).
- Join the [Pest Program email listserv](#).
- Follow WSDA on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#), and [Twitter](#).

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